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1. Asociación Habitat Pro

Special, 2010

Introduction

The Habitat Pro Association (Habitat Pro) is a Peruvian civil organization whose mission is to study the habitat and the natural and human resources in order to improve the quality of life of populations affected by poverty and extreme poverty.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Habitat Pro seeks to improve the quality of life of the indigenous peoples of the coastal areas, the Andes and the rain forest, as well as the urban communities, who suffer from social and economic discrimination. Habitat Pro works within the framework of the agenda of the United Nations and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. It works for the rights of the Indigenous Peoples; for cultural and natural biodiversity; and to end discrimination against woman and gender inequality in the workplace.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Habitat Pro has developed sustainable development projects with fishermen and peasants of the peoples of Mochica Chimú and Huanchaco, La Libertad Department, Peru.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Habitat Pro has attended the 11th and 12th Session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, New York, 7-18 May 2012 and 20-31 May 2013.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization's activities did not focus on specific initiatives in fulfilment of the MDGs, but rather on supporting the overall development agenda through advocacy and outreach.

2. Medical Aid for Palestinians

Special, 2002

Introduction

Medical Aid for Palestinians (MAP) works for the health and dignity of Palestinians living under occupation and as refugees. It delivers health and medical care to those worst affected by conflict, occupation, and displacement.

Aims and purposes of the organization

MAP's work focuses on health development and emergency preparedness and response in Lebanon and the State of Palestine. Working in partnership with local health providers and hospitals, MAP addresses a wide range of health issues and challenges faced by Palestinians. To achieve sustainable improvements in health, MAP works directly with communities by building local capacity and working with households to address gaps in health services. MAP ensures its ability to respond rapidly and effectively to humanitarian crises and conflict situations through offices located in Beirut, Lebanon, London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and Ramallah and Gaza City, State of Palestine.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

In accordance with the United Nations' goal for the advancement of women and sustainable development, MAP offers health and empowerment sessions for women across Lebanon and the State of Palestine to advance women's ownership of their own health and that of their family and community.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

In the State of Palestine, MAP shares information with the United Nations Access Team and actively participates in the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) logistics working group. MAP is an active member of the United Nations Health Cluster. In the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, MAP raises awareness of United Nations procedures and programmes with Parliamentarians and the public.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

MAP has a memorandum of understanding with the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA). In its work with Maternal and Child Health (MCH) in the refugee camps of Lebanon, MAP works alongside and offers trainings to the staff of UNRWA to maximize MCH service provision at the community, primary and tertiary levels.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization has contributed to the following MDGs:

- MDGs 1 and 4: In partnership with Ard El Insan (AEI) in Gaza, State of Palestine, MAP has launched a nutrition project which provides medication, supplements, and food items to malnourished children.
- MDG 3: MAP has partnered with Najdeh Association to tackle violence against women in the camp environment. The project identifies practical solutions for the protection of survivors and their children.
- MDGs 4 and 5: MAP and its partner Al Juzoor run the first systematic primary health care training for health professionals working with children in the West

Bank, State of Palestine. In 2010-2011, MAP provided nursing support to more than 3,400 beneficiaries, with more than 18,000 visits to Palestinian refugee women and their infants across camps in Lebanon.

3. Medico International

Special, 2002

Introduction

Medico International (Medico) is a medical relief, development, and human rights organization, whose general objective is the improvement of health conditions in Africa, Asia, the Middle East and Latin America. It focuses in particular on situations of emergency and poverty, working with refugees and victims of war.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Medico provides financial and technical support to health related projects of grass-root initiatives, local NGOs, and governmental departments. Medico is also dedicated to advocacy and human rights campaigns; and hosts international conferences and workshops.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Medico has contributed to the flood relief response since 2010 in the Sindh Province in Pakistan by comprehensively rebuilding five villages. Moreover, Medico has supported the programmes of the Palestinian Medical Relief Society (PMRS) by creating a health care system in the State of Palestine. Since 2011, Medico has supported the Kamukunji Paralegal Trust in its mission to advance respect of civil and health rights in the slums of Nairobi, Kenya. As a member of the international research network GO4Health, Medico has worked on proposals for new health-related Sustainable Development Goals.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Medico attended the 16th, 19th and 22nd Session of the Human Rights Council (HRC) in support of a resolution on human rights abuses and war crimes in Sri Lanka, Geneva, Switzerland, 11-13 March 2011, 18-21 March 2012 and 10-13 March 2013. It also participated in all of the sessions of the World Health Organization's (WHO) World Health Assembly and the WHO Executive Board meetings from 2010-2013.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Medico has cooperated with United Nations bodies in the following countries:

- Afghanistan: Medico has supported and cooperated with the implementation of the Mine Action Program of Afghanistan (MAPA) since 2006;

- Algeria: Medico led capacity training for health personnel of the Saharawi Refugee camps in close cooperation with all United Nations bodies present in the camps since 2011;
- State of Palestine: Medico signed a memoranda of understanding with the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA) regarding the provision of health services by mobile clinics; and
- Haiti: Medico participated in the Haiti Health Cluster led by the WHO; and coordinated activities with the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), 2010-2013.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

Many projects of the organization relate to and support the MDGs but do not specifically single out particular targets.

4. Movimiento Manuela Ramos

Special, 2006

Introduction

Movimiento Manuela Ramos (MMR) is a Peruvian feminist non-profit organization working to improve the situation and position of women.

Aims and purposes of the organization:

MMR aims to promote the exercise of full citizenship and the elimination of all forms of discrimination and exclusion of women. MMR carries out advocacy, leads trainings, and conducts research. It also works in defence of legal, economic, social, reproductive and political rights of women from different cultures in Peru.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The organization's core mandate is based on the provisions of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW), the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights. Prior to the 20th anniversary of the Cairo Conference on Population and Development in 2013, MMR organized various meetings and evaluation events between 2010 and 2013.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

MMR attended the 11th Latin America and Caribbean Regional Conference on Women, organized by the United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), in Brasilia, Brazil, in 2010. It also participated in the First Regional Conference on Population and Development (Cairo+20), organized by ECLAC, in Montevideo, Uruguay, in 2013, where MMR contributed to the Montevideo Consensus.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

MMR collaborated with the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) on several projects on sexual and reproductive rights in Peru between 2009 and 2011. It also worked with the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women) on the prevention and treatment of gender-based violence and on women's unpaid work and historical inequalities in Peru.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

MMR worked primarily toward MDGs 3 and 5. The following results were achieved during the reporting period:

- 85,896 women were incorporated in the credit system for women entrepreneurs and trained through educational sessions in 2010, 2011 and 2013;
- MMR presented Bill 268-2011-JNE, a legislative initiative for an electoral gender quota for women in all electoral processes;
- 8,867 women were treated during medical and sexual and reproductive health consultations, and 6,434 women had access to preventive examinations in 2010 and 2013;
- 2,469 training and counselling sessions for women on family planning and provision of contraception were conducted; and
- 974 orientation sessions were led on adolescent sexuality and contraception in 2010.

5. National Coordinator for Human Rights

Special, 1998

Introduction

Established in 1985, the National Coordinator for Human Rights (CNDDHH) contributes to developing a culture of human rights and peace in Peru.

Aims and purposes of the organization

CNDDHH aims to help develop a culture of human rights and peace in the country; place human rights issues on the public agenda; and work for the consolidation of a democratic institution. To do so, CNDDHH follows the principles of non-violence, independence from state and political parties, defence of the right to life, and the rejection of death penalty.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

The organization contributes to the work of the United Nations through:

- Capacity-building and civil society strengthening, in particular for people affected during internal armed conflicts, students, unions, indigenous peoples and human rights organizations across the country;
- Advocacy work, by promoting amendments to national laws so as to better meet international human right standards; and
- Strategic litigation, primarily in the areas of transitional justice, rights of indigenous peoples, and criminalization of protest.
- During the period covered by this report, CNDDHH has mobilized civil society nationwide and co-organized workshops with the government of Peru for the development of the National Human Rights Plan.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The organization participated in the elaboration of alternative reports submitted to the Committee against Torture in 2012 and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. CNDDHH also sent urgent communications on attacks against human right defenders in 2012, resulting in joint letters to the Peruvian government (A/HRC/26/36/Add.2, A/HRC/25/55/Add.3, A/HRC/24/41/Add.4, A/HRC/19/55/Add.2).

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

The organization has maintained a close relationship with the regional representative of the Office of the High Commissioner on Human Rights (OHCHR), in particular by providing information on the national human rights situation. In 2013, the organization provided meals to people participating in a seminar organized by the regional office of the OHCHR.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

CNDDHH's activities have an indubitable link to the MDGs in the areas of gender equality and environmental sustainability. The organization flags the impact on women of the extractive activities and the criminalization of social protest. The National Coordinator for Human Rights also promotes the participation of women in decision-making regarding the use of natural resources and indigenous lands.

6. Organisation des hommes démunis et enfants orphelins pour le développement

Special consultative status: 2010

Introduction

The Organisation des hommes démunis et enfants orphelins pour le développement (OHDEOD) works to improve and develop the quality of life and environment of indigent men and orphan children.

Aims and purposes of the organization

OHDEOD seeks to provide social structure for men, women and children who have become indigent as a result of war, theft or other hostile acts and to improve their health status, diet and life expectancy. To achieve this, OHDEOD works at the national, regional and international level.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

OHDEOD actively contributes to the United Nations vision of the Millennium Development Goals.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

The organization took part in the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

OHDEOD works actively with United Nations entities including UNFCCC and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (UNHCR).

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The day-to-day work of OHDEOD includes projects aimed at improving maternal health; reducing infant mortality; promoting gender equality and the empowerment of women; environmental preservation; eradicating extreme poverty and hunger; combating HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases; and promoting primary education for all. Finally, OHDEOD is working to establish a global partnership for development with French associations.

7. Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini

Special, 2006

Introduction

Over the last 3 decades, Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini (Prabodhini) has developed into a leading institution catering to the leadership capabilities in several walks of life, including elected representatives, activists, and civil servants.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Prabodhini aims to assist, establish and manage educational institutions and the integrated development of social services, social sciences and social workers. Pradhobini helps its beneficiaries through assistance with research activities, including the publication of books, periodicals, and other literature, and the organization of lectures, seminars, debates, conferences and symposia on matters of public importance.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Prabodhini conducts or assists with surveys and research and study projects on issues of importance to the United Nations, including voluntary activism, leadership development, democracy, human rights, economic welfare, ecology and environmental issues, rural and forest development, and welfare of tribal and other marginalised classes. In 2012, when the United Nations celebrated the International year of Cooperatives, Prabodhini, in co-operation with Sahakar Bharati and the Government of Madhya Pradesh, India, organized an international conference on the theme of "Social and Economic Change through Cooperation", which was attended by 400 delegates from 18 countries. On 5-7 November 2011, Prabodhini co-organized a Symposium on "Grassroots protection of Minorities in South-East Asian Countries" with the Global Human Rights Defence Organisation from the Netherlands and 25 human rights activists from India, Nepal, and Bangladesh.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Prabodhini submitted a written statement on the subject of women empowerment during the substantive session of the United Nations Economic and Social Council in New Y rk, 28 June-1 July 2010.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

Toward MDG 3, the Centre for Institution Building and Leadership Studies of Prabodhini conducted the trainers' training programme "Cause I am a Girl" in 2012, targeting girls in schools aged 10-16 years old. On 23-25 March 2011, Prabodhini co-organized a workshop on 'Welfare of Women and Children' and 'Role of a Corporator', toward MDGs 4 and 5.

8. Rehabilitation International

Special, 1978

Introduction

Rehabilitation International (RI) has been a major force in the field of disability rights since its establishment in 1922 and has consistently worked to reverse the discriminatory practices that exclude and devalue people with disabilities. RI is a global network of grassroots organizations with membership in 103 countries.

Aims and purposes of the organization

RI aims to promote the rights and inclusion of persons with disabilities; the prevention of causes of disability; and the rehabilitation and equalisation of

opportunities of persons with disabilities and their families. RI provides an open forum for the exchange of information and research, as well as a platform for advocacy.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

RI has consistently engaged in promoting signature, ratification and implementation of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) at international, regional and national levels. It launched a Global Advocacy Campaign to create information resources on the CRPD and its implementation, documenting and sharing examples of good practices; promote disability rights and inclusion through advocacy; conduct research at a national level; and prepare recommendations on disability legislation. United Nations Secretary General Ban Ki-moon was the special guest at the opening of RI's 22nd World Congress held from 29 October to 2 November 2012 in Incheon, Republic of Korea.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

RI has participated in the following meetings:

- the annual Conferences of States Parties to the CRPD in 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013;
- the annual sessions of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), during which it held parallel events to highlight the issues relating to women and girls with disabilities; and
- the High-level Meeting on Disability and Development, 23 September 2013, New York.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

RI was a member of the Editorial Committee for the World Report on Disability of the World Health Organization (WHO) and participated in its launching on 11 June 2013 at the United Nations in New York. The organization participated in the Panel on Leadership of Women with Disabilities organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) as a side event in the 2012 Conference of State Parties to the CRPD. Furthermore, it participated in the Panel on Including Youth with Disabilities, organized by DESA and United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) in 2011.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

RI implemented the project "Building the Capacities of Women with Disabilities in India: Promoting the Right to Health and Employment" benefiting women in the States of Orissa, Chattisgarg, Andhra Pradesh and West Bengal in India, toward the achievement of MDG 3.

9. Rooftops Canada

Special, 2006

Introduction

Rooftops Canada is the international development programme of two national and four provincial cooperative and social housing organizations in Canada. These organizations own and manage over 650,000 not-for-profit housing units in Canada.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Rooftops Canada works with partner organizations to improve housing conditions, build sustainable communities, and develop a shared vision of equitable global development.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Rooftops Canada has worked in the following areas:

- It has worked with not-for profit housing organizations, cooperatives, NGOs, and local and national governments in Sub-Saharan Africa to promote and implement the Habitat Agenda adopted at the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements in Istanbul, Turkey, in 1996. It achieves that goal through building local capacity to acquire land and build housing and sustainable communities using housing microfinance.
- It develops and promotes a better understanding of the relationship between HIV/AIDS and housing policy, programme, and project level responses in the region.
- It integrates livelihoods activities, particularly those related to urban food security in housing and human settlements programmes and projects in the region.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Rooftops Canada participated in the 5th and 6th Habitat World Urban Forum in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and Naples, Italy, in 2010 and 2012. It also took part in the United Nations Habitat Governing Council meetings in Nairobi, Kenya, in 2013.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Rooftops Canada maintained an ongoing working relationship with the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) Housing and Slum Upgrading Branch. It participated in the final international jury of its Urban Revitalization of Mass Housing International Competition.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

Toward MDG 7, the organization has provided access to secure tenure and/or core housing with basic infrastructure for over 3,000 families in Kenya, Tanzania and Zimbabwe since 2011. It worked on mainstreaming understanding and responses to HIV/AIDS in housing organizations and other African partner organizations for MDG 6. Finally, since April 2011, its programming in Kenya, Tanzania and Zimbabwe has had an estimated total economic impact of $54.6 million creating over 7,000 person years of employment.

10. Saviya Development Foundation

Special, 1998

Introduction

Saviya Development Foundation (SDF) has been working since 1991 on issues related to poverty alleviation, environment conservation, human rights, community health care, HIV/AIDS prevention, youth empowerment, micro finance, enterprise development, and rehabilitation of the differently abled.

Aims and purposes of the organization

SDF aims at improving equal opportunities in the communities to achieve economic, health, and social wellbeing through, inter alia, the provision of information; technical and financial assistance; educational training; and conflict, disease and disaster prevention.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

SDF contributes to the work of the United Nations through building strong communities for sustainable development. It has commemorated the World Day to combat drought and desertification and raised awareness on the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification at the community level. SDF annually commemorates the International Disability day and operates four residential centres for persons with disabilities. Moreover, SDF undertakes trainings and provides services for women and people with HIV and runs outreach programmes to reduce stigma and discrimination.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

In 2010-2011, SDF coordinated a civil society empowerment programme to promote democracy with assistance of the United Nations Democracy Fund. SDF was supported by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime on a project to prevent the transmission of HIV/AIDS among drug users in countries of the South

Asian Association for Regional Cooperation between 2009 and 2010. Moreover, SDF is an active member organization in the United Nations' Sri Lanka Programme for Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and forest Degradation.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

Toward MDG 1, SDF provided vocational training and small loans to create enterprises to 870 small groups with limited access to employment. It also developed a programme to prevent the spread of HIV through raising awareness, counselling, and delivering services.

11. Sinha Institute of Medical Science and Technology

Special, 2006

Introduction

The Sinha Institute of Medical Science and Technology (SIMST) was founded to promote the educational and scientific development of society, economic growth and general welfare of the poor.

Aims and purposes of the organization

SIMST aims to contribute to research in the field of medicine on diseases such as cardiovascular disease, diabetes, and cancer, as well as other human health related problems. It seeks to achieve its goal through the establishment and maintenance of Educational, Scientific and Research Institutes, as well as through research, publications, lectures, seminars, and field surveys.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

SIMST contributes to the work of the United Nations by raising awareness and conducting research to counter various major diseases. SIMST has maintained free consultancy services on cardiovascular disease, the number one killer disease in the world, in Tamluk, West Bengal, India, since 2012. It has also provided poor people with access to medicine. Moreover, SIMST counters diabetes and cancer through free diagnosis and the administration of medication for economically disadvantaged people.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

No cooperation was specified.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization worked toward MDG 1 by providing free medicine to the poor. For MDG 2, SIMST opened a primary school for street children that provides free primary education, as well as nutrition and learning materials. The organization also conducts medical research on hypertension, cardiovascular disease, diabetes mellitus, cancer, and kidney disease. In its work, SIMST collaborates with researchers, towards the development of a global partnership for development.

12. Social Development Center

Special, 2010

Introduction

Established in 1996, the Social Development Center (SDC) is a leading centre for the promotion of self-reliance and positive contributions to society through the economic empowerment of families in Qatar.

Aims and purposes of the organization

SDC aims to enhance the role of family members, especially youth and women, in improving the socio-economic situation of their family. SDC therefore provides trainings for youth and economically disadvantaged people to enhance their chances on the labour market and conducts research on social issues to promote social norms and values.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

SDC contributes to the work of the United Nations through their focus on economic and social development, women empowerment, and poverty alleviation.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

SDC participated in several United Nations meetings and contributed to the post 2015 process through a brief statement on behalf of Qatar.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

SDC cooperated closely with the regional office of the International Labour Organization (ILO) in establishing a training centre for small and medium enterprises (SMEs). Moreover, SDC has a working relationship with the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization worked toward poverty eradication, full and productive employment, and women empowerment through:

- economic empowerment measures such as micro entrepreneurships and economic generating activities;
- the establishment of a big incubation centre for entrepreneurs; and
- the provision of job opportunities for women.

13. Third World Network — Africa

Special, 2010

Introduction

Third World Network-Africa (TWN-Africa) is a Pan-African research and advocacy organization which works for economic and social equity in Africa and for an equitable place for Africa in the global order. TWN-Africa's current programme covers trade and investment policy; African regional integration; mining and development; gender and economic policy; and finance and development.

Aims and purposes of the organization

TWN-Africa's central mission is to conduct research and advocacy on strategic development issues facing Africa and to facilitate the organization and expression of African civil society on these issues. TWN-Africa focuses on improving quality of policy analysis and constituency mobilization in Africa for the attainment of desirable policy outcomes. TWN-Africa's main intervention strategies are through networking, capacity building, and research and knowledge generation.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

TWN-Africa collaborated with United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA) in organizing a high level symposium on Africa's integration process at the World Social Forum. It served as an expert at the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development's (UNCTAD) High-level Experts Conference on Development, April 2011. In collaboration with the Ghana National Development Planning Commission and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), TWN-Africa organized a National Stakeholder Consultation in Ghana on the Post-2015 Development Agenda in March 2013.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

TWN-Africa participated to United Nations meetings in the following ways:

- It presented at the 5th Joint Annual Meeting of the African Union/UNECA Conference of African Ministers of Finance, Planning and Economic Development in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, March 2012;
- It acted as member of the International Steering Group for civil society organizations towards UNCTAD XIII in Doha, Qatar, April 2012;
- It acted as key note speaker on Options and Alternatives for Regional Finance at the 3rd UNCTAD public forum, June 2012; and

– It organized a session on Africa's post-2015 development priorities at the 4th UNCTAD Public Forum, June 2013.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

TWN-Africa together with the UNECA, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the African Union Commission (AUC), developed policy documents on the Africa Mining Vision and established the Africa Minerals Development Centre (AMDC). TWN-Africa served on the Civil Society Advisory Committee to the UNDP Administrator between 2011 and 2013. In February 2013, TWN-Africa, UNDP, and the United Nations Millennium Campaign jointly organized a meeting in Johannesburg, South Africa, on Africa's structural transformation agenda.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

TWN-Africa has consistently contributed to the development and progress of the United Nations post 2015 agenda. TWN-Africa participated in a meeting entitled "Advancing the Post-2015 Sustainable Development Agenda" in March 2013 in Germany, which adopted an agenda for the post 2015 discourse. In November 2013, it took part in a conference organized by the UNECA, UNDP and the African Development Bank on regional integration.

14. Vikas Samiti

Special, 2006

Introduction

Vikas Samiti (VS) works for job security, social justice and equity among all since 1995.

Aims and purposes of the organization

VS aims to achieve a empowered society, in which every person has job security. VS promotes energy saving activities and activities of water preservation, soil conservation, agro diversity and the installation of food preservation facilities. VS also works on self-help-groups; provides trainings for income-generating opportunities; and secures health and hygiene practices among the community to achieve sustainable community-based development.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

VS conducted a targeted intervention project for control and prevention of HIV/AIDS to 805 female sex workers. It provided them with information, material, and counselling on safer sex practices and established support and treatment for persons living with HIV/AIDS.

VS also observed important United Nations days, such as World AIDS Day, the International Women's Day, and the Universal Children's Day.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

No participation was specified.

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

SV has collaborated with the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) on the "Child environment, sanitation, hygiene and water supply" project in the villages of Chhindwara and Bichchua Dist-Chhindwara, State of Madhya Pradesh, India.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

The organization worked mainly toward MDGs 1 and 3, with a microfinance project for poor families targeted at women: it conducted a baseline survey, a needs assessment of the families, and trainings for 5,450 women, which lifted 2,050 families above the poverty line. VS also worked toward combatting HIV/AIDS, as described above.

15. Womankind Worldwide

Special, 1998

Introduction

Founded in 1989, Womankind Worldwide is an international women's rights organization based in London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. Its vision is of a fair world where women have equal rights, choices and opportunities.

Aims and purposes of the organization

Womankind's mission is to work in partnership with women's rights organizations to transform women's lives and communities; end violence against women and girls; and increase women's civil and political participation and equal access and control over economic resources. Womankind works through long-term partnerships and solidarity with its autonomously registered partner organizations in Africa, Asia and Latin America, to develop content specific approaches and support capacity-building sustainably.

Significant changes in the organization

There have been no significant changes.

Contribution of the organization to the work of the United Nations

Womankind's work is rooted in international human rights standards, in particular the Beijing Platform for Action, United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325 (UNSCR1325) and the Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW), and is committed to their full

implementation. To that end, womankind has produced a Women's Rights Advocacy Toolkit, developed in collaboration with local partners in 2011. It has also hosted and chaired the Gender Action for Peace and Security network, which advocates for a national Action Plan on Women, Peace and Security, based on UNSCR1325.

Participation in meetings of the United Nations

Representatives of Womankind and its partner organizations attended all sessions of the Commission for the Status of Women (CSW) between 2010 and 2013. It organized parallel events in 2010, 2012 and 2013. Womankind also attended the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women's (UN Women) Global Review of National Action Plans on Women, Peace and Security in 2013. Womankind prepared and presented information on financing for women's rights organizations, and advised on the shape and remit of UN Women's "Global study on the implementation of resolution 1325".

Cooperation with United Nations bodies

Womankind cooperates with UN Women. Since 2013, Womankind has been involved in the preparation of the Global Review of UNSCR1325.

Initiatives taken by the organization in support of the Millennium Development Goals

During the reporting period, Womankind has contributed significantly to the implementation of MDG 3 through:

- Supporting 22,300 women in Zimbabwe to live free from violence through legal aid, counselling and shelter;
- Training 2,000 people in Uganda to raise awareness about violence against women, reaching a further 17,000 people;
- Training 2,600 women in Nepal for increased participation in regional political processes; and
- Reaching 1 million women and girls in Zambia by raising awareness on women's rights through radio, drama and community meetings.